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The Wellesley Rotascope

Rotary Club Number 6594, Chartered March 26, 1946

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Next Meeting—November 25, 2019

Annual Football Banquet **Wellesley College Club—6-8:30PM**

Monday, November 25, 2019—N/W Football Banquet, - Wellesley College Club - 6-8:30 PM (Wellesley hosting!)

Tuesday, December 3, 2019—Food Insecurity Community Awareness with President of MBCC—Wakelin Room (Wellesley Library.) 6-8PM

Sunday, December 15, 2019—Holiday Party at the Spoto's

Tuesday, December 17, 2019—Business & Service meeting—Wellesley College Club—6-8:30 PM

Tuesday, January 7, 2020—TBA

Tuesday, January 21, 2020—Business & Service meeting—Wellesley College Club—6-8:30 PM



The Rotary Club of Wellesley

Mission Statement:

To serve others with a focus on strengthening communities in the areas of health, education and sustainable living

Wellesley Rotary Club

meets at the

Wellesley College Club,
727 Washington Street,

from 6:00 to 8:00 on the first and third Tuesdays

(unless announced otherwise).

A sandwich buffet (at a fixed price of \$30) is offered (\$32 if charged). Parking available. **Signups required so please look for the President's e-mail.**

PLEASE NOTE...

The Rotary *Speaker* meeting is usually held on the **first Tuesday** of the month and a *Service & Fellowship* meeting on the **third Tuesday**. See **Upcoming Programs & Events** (left) or check the Club website for more information.

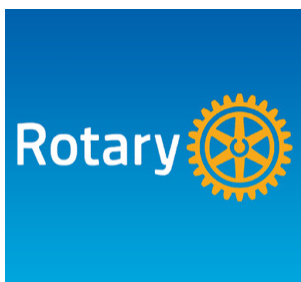
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By Frank Rowbotham

Wellesley Rotary Club held its November 19, 2019, meeting at Wellesley College Club. After the usual opening with the Pledge of Allegiance, prayer by **Toby Kell** and *Happy Dollars*, **John Adams**, acting for **Bill Westerman** who was traveling, announced the guests. As the program for the evening involved two (2) speakers, there were many guests. Accompanying the first speaker, **Mike Thorbjornsen**, was his mother, **Sandra**. The second speaker was Wellesley Rotary member, **Dr. Melani Nembrambali** with her son, **Rohan Prabhu**. Next, **John Adams** introduced **Gary McCabe** of Wellesley Kiwanis who also brought a guest. **Marguerite Chatelier** was a guest of Melani. In addition, **Vince Codispoti** and **Tim Green** were introduced by John. It was great to see **Fred Wright** in attendance after a long absence due to his wife's illness.

The first speaker was **Mike Thorbjornsen**, a Wellesley High School senior, who participated at the US Open Golf Tournament this year at Pebble Beach because of his winning the US Junior Open Tournament the year earlier. Mike spoke of the thrill of winning the US Junior Open in 2018 which allowed him to compete this year with all of the top golfers in the world. Mike lives on Rice Street.

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MEETINGS: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Evenings at 6:00 P.M.
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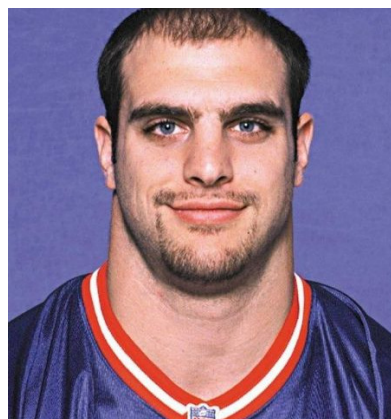
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and is thus able to walk to school. Last year he was studying in Florida at a golf school. Next year, he will be attending Stanford where other famous golfers such as **Tiger Woods** attended. When asked by **Vin Spoto** about any “swing” thoughts he could share with the golfers in the audience, Mike said that he usually has too many, but the one thing is to keep your head still.

Next, **Dr. Melani Nerambali** and her son, Rohan, presented a power point program regarding efforts to build a Community Center in the Indian state of Karnataka. This is the same area where **Bob Anthony** delivered the Adolescent Wellness Program to the Siddi people last year pursuant to the grant received from Rotary International. Melani described the need to purchase property for the center and the issues involved siting the facility so that it will be convenient for the Siddi people to attend where travel is a problem in that part of India. Although funds have been raised for the center, more will be needed to complete the project. The meeting concluded at 8:00 pm. ▲▲

Rotary Learning Institute (RLI) will be held on Saturday, **January 25, 2020** in Marlboro. Tuition is \$110 which includes breakfast, lunch & course materials. Become a better Rotarian! For more information about the excellent training program visit www.rlinea.org. Wellesley Rotarian **Donna Armen-tano** can supply more information. Contact her.



Greg Comella of Wellesley will be our guest speaker at the annual Needham-Wellesley Football Banquet on **Monday, November 25, 2019** at the Wellesley College Club Main Dining Room (1st floor), hosted by Wellesley Rotary—**(6PM - Reception; 6:30 PM Thanksgiving Dinner with all the trimmings; 7:15-9PM Program)**.

Greg is a graduate of Xaverian Brothers High School in Westwood, Stanford University, and Harvard Business School. He played 7 seasons for the NFL between 1998 and 2005 (New York Giants, the Tennessee Titans, the Houston Texans and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers). He is presently a business manager of his family-owned Comella's Restaurants with 12 locations in Greater Boston. (In Needham it's located is 1095 Great Plain Avenue, and in Wellesley Hills at 288 Washington St).

Register on line (wellesleyrotary.org) or contact Tory ASAP at (781-235-0265).

BIRTHDAYS

John Adams—11/2
Andrea Kaiser—11/4
Michael Price—11/7
Nora Pou—11/11
Vin Spoto—11/23
Paul Simard—11/28

ANNIVERSARIES

Andrea & Don Kaiser—11/4
Brian & Gina Sullivan—11/5
Ellen & Michael Kreopolides—11/26
Ginny Greiman & Steve Bergstrom—11/30